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SUBJECT: WESTINGHOUSE JUST MISSES NUCLEAR REACTOR ORDER

1. EMBASSY OFFICERS ARE INFORMED BY RELIABLE TRADE SOURCES THAT WESTINGHOUSE CAME WITHIN AN ACE OF OBTAINING A LETTER OF INTENT FROM HMG FOR THE PURCHASE OF FOUR 1150MW PWR UNITS TO BE INSTALLED AT TWO SITES IN THE UK. THE DEAL, APPROVED BY FORMER ENERGY SECRETARY LORD CARRINGTON, REPORTEDLY WAS WITHIN ONE DAY OF CONSUMMATION WHEN THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEW ELECTIONS (HELD FEBRUARY28) WAS MADE. AS FAR AS WE KNOW, THIS MATTER HAS NOT RECEIVED ANY PUBLICITY LOCALLY.

2. COMMENT: US FIRMS IN THE LWR FIELD (WESTINGHOUSE, GE, AND COMBUSTION ENGINEERING) ARE NOT LITERALLY BACK TO SQUARE ONE ON THE QUESTION OF UK SALES PERHAPS, BUT IT IS GENERALLY BELIEVED THAT THE NEW LABOR CABINET WILL BE LESS INCLINED TO DECIDE IN FAVOR OF US TECHNOLOGY OVER THE MEDIUM TERM THAN THE FORMER CONSERVATIVE GOVERNMENT.

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